

September 19, 2014

MEMORANDUM TO: Mark A. Satorius  
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Kenneth R. Hart, Acting Secretary **/RA/**

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS – COMSECY-14-0030 – PROPOSED  
SUSPENSION OF THE REACTOR OVERSIGHT PROCESS  
SELF-ASSESSMENT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2014

The Commission has approved the staff's request to suspend the annual self-assessment of the Reactor Oversight Process (ROP) for calendar year (CY) 2014, and instead: (1) develop a more effective self-assessment process with more meaningful metrics for use in CY 2015 and beyond; and (2) address ROP improvement recommendations from the multiple independent and focused ROP-related assessments performed in CY 2013 and CY 2014. In the CY 2015 ROP self-assessment, the staff should inform the Commission of the status of ROP enhancements.

As part of its efforts to address ROP improvement recommendations, the staff should work to streamline the Significance Determination Process and establish appropriate timeliness metrics for finalizing inspection findings. The staff should inform the Commission of its plans and schedule for this activity by the end of June 2015. Upon completing the evaluation of potential improvements, if the staff deems that the collection of changes is significant enough to merit review by the Commission, the staff should seek such review.

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